

Application No. 09/328,627 (Conf. No. 7063)
Reply to Office Action dated December 12, 2003

Docket No. Acharya 2-5-7

REMARKS

Claims 5-8, 27-38, 42, 45-47 and 50-75 are pending. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's allowance of claims 27-38, and recognition of allowable subject matter in claims 7, 8, 56 and 60.

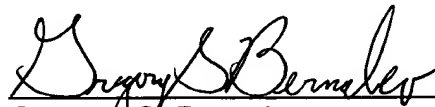
In this Reply, claims 7, 56 and 60 are amended to rewrite them in independent form to include all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 8 depends from claim 7. All remaining claims have been canceled in favor of a continuation application.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants claims 7, 8, 27-56 and 60 are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request issuance of a Notice of Allowance. If any issues remain, the undersigned request a telephone interview prior to the issuance of an action.

Respectfully submitted,

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